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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "PTO") on August 18, 2008, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on February 18, 2009. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

No Amendments are being made to the claims. A listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper, is provided for convenience.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.